

SENATOR MARVEL: No, the decision that you and I discussed with the Appropriations Committee. I think it was a week ago, last Thursday.

SPEAKER: Right, on the 13th.

SENATOR MARVEL: That decision was overruled by the Legislature. That decision was made Friday. I abide by that decision because it's a decision that the . . .

SPEAKER: But my question, Senator Marvel, is: was my entire decision overruled, or only portions of it? Senator Marvel . . .

SENATOR MARVEL: All of it. All of it.

SPEAKER: Senator Marvel, Senator Syas doesn't agree with you.

SENATOR MARVEL: OK. Alright. (mic inactivated) . . . you asked for an opinion, I gave you the best I could.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President, maybe I can clear it up. After much discussion, last Friday, there was motions by Senator Syas and several others. There was discussion from some of the chairmen who had a second look at the situation that was going to face them next year. In that morning of discussion it was decided by various chairmen, who had first given the Speaker information, that they might be able to go into, and they really didn't speak up that loud that particular time when he asked them on the floor, which was a week ago Tuesday. He had the opinion that it would be only the Budget Committee, besides the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee that had 10 bills that would be heard on Thursday afternoon. He, therefore, set Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday afternoon to be full-day sessions. When we got to Friday morning those chairmen also saw that they had many bills that were still in committee. Action had to be taken either to lay them aside to the next year, or to kill the bills, or to move the bills to the floor. These various chairmen stood on the floor that morning and, after much discussion of Senator Syas' motion, I made a motion that said for the week and week only, which is the week we are ending now. If you'll remember the last words in there were "thru Friday", this Friday. Now after we adjourn today, when the Speaker makes his motion, starting next week is a whole new ball game. He has already said he wants full-day sessions. That's fine with me. I think it was fine with the rest of the Legislature last Friday that we would finish and do all our work this Friday. Next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will be full-days. Then when we go home, either we make the decision this morning, or we made the decision on Wednesday, we will return to this Legislature and keep the second half of his original motion which would be to return on Wednesday morning, the 2nd day of April. All we did, with my motion last Friday, was to take this week and it ended as of Friday, today. What he does is setting the program. The scheduling will take place for full-days next week. If he wishes, as his motion said, to come back from the Easter recess on Wednesday, April 2nd, I think the whole Legislature voted with me that that was going to be taken up and he would make the decision when he returned from his trip.